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New Mexico Demands Statehood of the 57th Congress.

Porto Rico will soon have free trade with the United States and then the Democrats will be obliged to look around for another issue.

The Cresset comes down quite hard on the county commissioners and if the facts are as stated the people should remember this act as well as the reduction of the assessed valuation of the towns.

The people of the east should come to Red River if they wish to avoid the extreme heat. The days are pleasant and the nights so cool that a person needs one or two woolen blankets as covers to keep them warm.

The Fourth Annual Session of the International Mining Congress will be held at Boise, Idaho, July 23, 24 and 25. These congresses have helped to put mining on business bases and should be attended if possible by all mining men. New Mexico is honored by having Hon. L. Bradford Prince as President of the congress.

The United States has collected her bill against Turkey. It amounted to about \$100,000. This proves that our country is a good collector as the Sultan has refused to pay every bill that the European nations have presented.

If Wyoming can support a state government as she does with only a population of 98,000 people, and would not go back to a territorial form of government under any consideration, why can't New Mexico with her hundreds of millions of dollars worth of property, her inexhaustible resources, her matchless climate and her enterprising people, do the same?

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THE NEW PRECINCT.

The county commissioners of Taos county certainly made a mistake last month when they created a new precinct out of parts of Rancho precinct No. 3. About the only benefit derived from the creation of the new precinct is that which accrues to Squire Hartt, whose saloon license is reduced to \$50 instead of \$400 as it should be under the law in the town of Rancho, which has a population of over 1400. The public funds of the county lose on the license of each saloon in either Rancho precinct or the new precinct the sum of \$200 annually and as the expense of maintaining each precinct in the county is \$100 annually it adds, in case Rancho has but one saloon \$300 additional burden to the taxpayers of the county, which is equal to the taxes on over eight thousand five hundred dollars worth of property. The long roads leading up to the canon above Rancho are thrown into the new precinct of Rio Chiquito and the burden of keeping them in repair falls upon a few people. For school purposes the new precinct is so arranged that it will be impossible for the children of the upper part of the town of Rancho and those of Rio Chiquito to attend the same school as they are several miles apart and being entirely cut off from the benefits of a local saloon license it is not likely that the Rio Chiquito school district will have sufficient funds to maintain any school at all. The new precinct was created at the June meeting of the commissioners and the people aggrieved by their action to the number of forty eight, nearly all in the new precinct and thirty four from other precincts called the attention of the commissioners to the above facts at their July session, by petition and asked for a reconsideration of the action. The signers of the petition were ignored and the petition rejected.

If the new precinct is allowed to stand it works an injustice and a hardship upon all the taxpayers of the county to a small extent and upon the people of Rio Chiquito to a large extent.

From the fact that the dividing line of the precincts is placed a few feet beyond the thousand yard limit from Mr. Hartt's saloon, just far enough so that his license tax is not based upon the population of the two precincts, and also from the fact Mr. Hartt was the promoter of the scheme to have the change made it is plain that the only purpose of the division was to secure a reduction of his saloon license tax.

Such work as this deserves the severest criticism and contempt of the people of the county. No matter of what political complexion a man may be, we do not and never will approve of an action which relieves him of his just and legal proportion of taxation of his state or county at the expense and to the detriment of his fellow citizens, and we have no hesitancy in saying that two of the county commissioners of this county have grossly betrayed the public trust in them vested by creating and establishing a new precinct at Rio Chiquito.—Cresset.

CARD OF THANKS.

We, the parents of little Ernest Hutton, desire to thank the citizens of Red River for their aid in searching for Ernest while lost last Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hutton.

MINING NEWS

Billie Welch and Fred Leiffer have located a fine mining claim near the Golden Treasure and named it the Moose.

Our mining reporter was misinformed last week about the Black Copper shutting down for a day to repair the hoist. They did not close down and have never lost a day on account of the hoist.

Charles and John Compton have just finished the assessment on the Carlo a fine copper property about a mile and a half below town. With proper development this is the making of a first class mine.

The owner of the Monday mining lode, Wm. Doty, cut another lead the first of the week in that valuable property. It is a fine copper lead two feet wide and if looks counts it will run high in copper.

The owners of the Willard, Ed. Westoby and Al Hedges are pushing work on that property. They are now in over 300 feet on their tunnel and under cover about 280 feet. The boys have a fine lead they are driving for and when they reach it they will be over 500 feet in depth.

Dr. E. Sharrard and T. C. Enbank have one of the best copper properties in the Red River mining district. It is the Joe Shelby and is situated about two and one-half miles up Columbine. The lead is over five feet wide and runs high in copper. The owners of the Shelby and Abe Scruggs and son owners of the Little Abe another fine property on the Columbine, have built a fine wagon road from their claims to the mouth of Columbine.

NEW PROCESS FOR COPPER ORES.

Only a few weeks since, the Prospector called attention to the discovery made by our townsman W. A. Gardner the assayer and chemist, of a new and cheap chemical process for extracting copper from its ores especially the carbonates and sulphides. We were not a little gratified to know that our report was disseminated from Massachusetts to California and so quickly too, that enquires have been coming from many sources: Not only inquires but samples for test and treatment and Mr. Gardner has just completed and forwarded not only the assay certificates but the copper precipitates obtained. And certainly this last evidence must convince even the skeptic of the value of his new process. Again we predict that the cheapness of his method, viz: from 50 cents to \$1.50 per ton for the extraction of copper from the ores above named, must and will revolutionize the copper industry and we shall be more than pleased when Mr. Gardner's success is proved which it soon will be, to feel that the Prospector has been a large factor in promoting it.

After all, Montana politics appear to be quite decent when placed in comparison with the Colorado article.

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NOTICE OF FORFEITURE.

To N. D. Garner, H. G. Garner and Jesse White their heirs or assigns: You are hereby notified that I have expended one hundred dollars each year during the years 1899 and 1900 in labor and improvements upon the Big Quartz mining claim, situate in the Red River mining district, in the county of Taos, New Mexico, located April 30th, 1895 fully described in the location certificate, and recorded July 11, 1895, in book 15, at page 84, mining records of Taos county, at the office of the county clerk and recorder of said county. Said amounts were expended during said years for the purpose of holding said claim under the provisions of section 2324, revised statutes of the United States, and amendments thereto. And if within 90 days after the service of this notice by publication you fail or refuse to contribute your portion of such expenditure as co-owners, together with the costs of the publication of this notice, your interest in said lode claim will become the property of the underscriber, your co-owner. J. L. BIGELOW.

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NOTICE OF FORFEITURE.

Thos B. Manter, his heirs or assigns, you are hereby notified that I have expended one hundred dollars in labor and improvements upon the Golden Treasure No. 1, mining claim, located August 16, 1895, and recorded August 19, 1895, in Book 15 at Page 182 in the office of Probate Clerk and Recorder of Taos county, and is situated in the Red River Mining District, Taos county, New Mexico, and one hundred dollars in labor and improvements upon the Golden Treasure No. 2, mining claim, located August 16, 1895, and recorded August 19, 1895 in Book 15, at Page 183 in the office of Probate Clerk and Recorder of Taos county, and is situated in the Red River Mining District, Taos county, New Mexico, in order to hold and premises under Section 2324, revised statutes of the United States, being the amounts required to hold the same for the year ending December 31, 1900. And if within 90 days after this notice by publication you fail or refuse to contribute your proportion of such expenditure as a co-owner, your interest in said claim will become the property of the subscriber under said section 2324. V. G. Hyatt.

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